



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 5  
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD  
CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

APR 15 2016

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Vickie A. Askins

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Cygnel, Ohio 43413

Dear Mrs. Askins:

Thank you for your March 31, 2016 letter which provides a third addendum to your November 2011 petition for withdrawal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations from Ohio. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will respond to this information in our response to the November 9, 2011 petition and the addendums submitted in December 2012 and January 2013. EPA is reviewing the petition and addendums regarding the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's administration of the NPDES program.

With regard to your request to meet with Region 5, our offer to have a meeting, presented to you in June 2014 by Michael Berman, Office of Regional Counsel, is still open. As indicated in Mr. Berman's email of June 25, 2014, the meeting would be an informal meeting where you would be able to express your views and ask questions. If you are interested in arranging a meeting, please let us know if you would like to meet in Chicago at the Region 5 offices or if you would prefer a telephone or video conference.

Again, thank you for the addendum to your November 2011 petition. If you would like to arrange a meeting or if you have any further questions, please contact Julianne Socha of my staff at (312) 886-4436 or if you are being represented by an attorney in this matter, the attorney may contact Michael Berman, Office of Regional Council, at (312) 886-6837.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tinka G. Hyde".

Tinka G. Hyde  
Director, Water Division